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JAPAN – AEGIS Shipboard Weapon System

On 29 April, the Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress of a possible Foreign Military Sale to Japan of the AEGIS shipboard weapons system and associated equipment and services. The total value, if all options are exercised, could be as high as \$578 Million.

The Government of Japan has requested a possible sale of one MK 7 MOD 6(V) AEGIS Weapon System, one AN/SQQ-89(V)15R Surface Ship Undersea Combat System, one AN/UPX-29(V) Aircraft Identification Monitoring System MK XII Identification Friend or Foe system, one shipboard gridlock system, one Common Data Link Management System/Joint Tactical Information Distribution System, one MK 34 gun weapon system, one Navigation Sensor System Interface, one MK36 Decoy Launching System, one AN/WSN-7 Ring Laser Gyro Navigator, one AN/SQQ-121 Computer Aided Dead Reckoning Tracker, testing and combat system engineering technical assistance, computer programs and support maintenance, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and technical assistance, testing, publications and documentation, training, spare and repair parts, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$578 million.

Japan is one of the major political and economic powers in East Asia and the Western Pacific and a key ally of the United States in ensuring the peace and stability of that region. It is vital to the U.S. national interest to assist Japan to develop and maintain a strong and ready self-defense capability, which will contribute to an acceptable military balance in the area. This proposed sale is consistent with these U.S. objectives and with the 1960 Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security.

Installation of the AEGIS combat system on ships of the Japan Maritime Self Defense force will provide enhanced capabilities to Japan in providing for defense of its critical Sea Lines of Communication (SLOCs). AEGIS will be the keystone in Japan's effort to upgrade its anti-air warfare (AAW) capability. Japan is fully capable of integrating this system into its operational forces and will receive data sufficient for basic maintenance of the equipment. Japan, which already has AEGIS systems, will have no difficulty absorbing the additional system.

The principal contractors will be: Lockheed Martin Naval Electronics Systems and Support of Morristown, New Jersey; Lockheed Martin Naval Electronics Systems and Support of Syracuse, New York; Raytheon Company of Andover, Massachusetts; General Dynamics Armament Systems of Burlington, Vermont; and Lockheed Martin Naval Electronics Systems and Support of Eagan, Minnesota. There are no offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this sale will not require the assignment to Japan of any U.S. Government representatives. It will require the assignment of approximately 40 contractor representatives for approximately five years to support integration and testing of the AEGIS Combat Systems.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

This notice of a potential sale is required by law; it does not mean that the sale has been concluded.